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| Notice of Panel De  | cision fro  | m Pre-A   | ppeal Brief   | Review   |  |  |  |
| This is in response to the Pre-Appeal Bri   | ief Request for F   | Review filed Ma   | rch 23, 2007.   |  |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>Improper Request – The Req<br/>reason(s):</li> </ol>   | uest is imprope   | and a conferer  | nce will not be held fo   | r the following  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>☐ The Notice of Appeal has not been filed concurrent with the Pre-Appeal Brief Request.</li> <li>☐ The request does not include reasons why a review is appropriate.</li> <li>☐ A proposed amendment is included with the Pre-Appeal Brief request.</li> <li>☐ Other:</li> </ul> |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |
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| ☐ The panel has determined Claim(s) allowed: Claim(s) objected to: Claim(s) rejected: 1-26 and 29- Claim(s) withdrawn from considerations.  | <del>.32</del> .  | claim(s) is as fo   | ollows:   |  |  |  |  |
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